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English 8

Date:

Rough Draft Peer Edit for Immigration Persuasive Essay

1. THESIS: _____/10 points

Is it a complex sentence that is related to EACH of the body paragraphs? (2 pts)

Does it avoid I, me, we, us, you, or any personal pronouns? (2 pts)

Does it describe the challenge in their old country or before their journey? (2 pts)

Does it describe the challenge in America or after their journey? (2 pts)

Is the thesis in the correct location -- at the end of the introductory paragraph? (2 pts)

2. DOCUMENTS _____/10 points

Are there 2-3 two statistics or pieces of specific document information which are numbers, amounts of money or percentages or quotes or descriptions of the images from charts, graphs, articles or political cartoons? (3 pts)

Does the writer explain which document the statistics or specific document information come from and give the title of the document? (1 pt)

Is the statistic or specific document information explained so that it connects with the topic sentence (2 pts)

Are the statistics or specific document information from at least TWO DIFFERENT DOCUMENTS that have a reference to their sources? (2 pts)

Are each of the statistics or specific document information presented in complete sentences? (2 pts)

3. EXAMPLES FROM BOOK GROUP BOOK _____/10 points

Does the writer connect the specific document information to what a character in the book experiences? (3 pts)

Does the writer include 4-6 scenes from the book group book including at least 2-4 quotes total in the body paragraphs? (3 pts)

Are all the sentences about the book complete sentences and complete thoughts? (2 pts)

Do the examples all relate to the thesis and both topic sentences? (2 pts)

4. TOPIC AND CONCLUDING SENTENCES_____ / 10 points

Does the writer present and sum up the main idea at the beginning and end of EACH paragraph with a BECAUSE statement that explains the thesis in greater detail? (2 pts)

Does the writer use new language and ideas at the end that were NOT in the original thesis? (2 pts)

Does the writer avoid using personal pronouns like I, you, me, etc.? (2 pts)

Does the writer mention challenges in both AMERICA and THEIR OLD COUNTRY? (2 pts)

Does the writer make an overall observation about how these TWO CHALLENGES shaped the life of the immigrant? (2 pts)

5. Grammar and language_____/10 points

Are all sentences complete but not run-ons (2 pts)

Are apostrophes used for ownership or contractions, not plurals? (2 pts)

Are the words spelled correctly? (2 pts)

Are capital letters used correctly, especially for character and place names? (2 pts)

Does it avoid simple language like good, bad, things, and stuff? (2 pts)

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What I liked best about your essay is: _____

The area of the essay that needs the most revisions is
